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PRESIDENT: Yes.

SENATOR DUIS: I want to ask him, though I'm definitely sure, whether or not my amendment that I wish to put on to increase the library fund is not admissable to this bill, but must be on the budget bill itself?

PRESIDENT: Senator Marvel could you answer that question directly.

SENATOR MARVEL: Yes, I'll answer it directly. It has to be on the budget bill, Senator Duis. I'll be very happy at the time to indicate to you where your amendment should go.

SENATOR DUIS: Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT: Alright. The question is shall 550 be advanced. Record your vote. Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays.

PRESIDENT: The bill is advanced. Senator . . . Burbach.

SPEAKER: Mr. President, the next bills would have normally been 259A, but Senator Anderson is not present. LB 350, Senator Murphy informs me it is not the time to take that up until we determine more about 349, it is a superfluous bill if 349 passes. We'll take up 282, 486, 114 and 115 in that order.

CLERK: Read title to 218.

PRESIDENT: Is this 282?

CLERK: 282.

PRESIDENT: OK, 282. Senator Luedtke.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: Mr. President, I move the adoption of the committee amendments on LB 282. The committee amendment deals specifically with one problem area. LB 282 deals with the payment of fee . . . witness fees in courts. When we were discussing what the bill does, I'll just mention it so you know what the general subject matter of the bill deals with the payment of witness fees to individuals who are already working for the state. A law was passed some years ago which involved the municipal courts. Everyone who passed it at that time thought it applied to the whole state, but it ended up only applying to witnesses in municipal courts. We wanted to straighten that out. That was the basic bill. However, the amendment here is to straighten out some other matter which is with regard to the witness fees paid in small claims courts. It was mentioned a little while ago in debate on the county judges salaries that one of the very fine features of the court reform act, LB 1032, was the small claims court. However, one of the things is that when we increased, last year, the witness fees to \$20 we did so to speak write out of